GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
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UNSPENT AMOUNT FOR PRIMARY AND ADULT EDUCATION
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there have been a large unspent amount under the Elementary Education and Adult Education Programmes;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and the action taken by the Government in this regard; and

(c) the provision made and the amount spent for programmes during 1995-98?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (Dr. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI)

(a) to (c) : During the period 1995-96 to 1997-98, Plan allocations for Elementary Education and Adult Education programmes amounted to Rs.5951.24 crores. Provisions in the Revised Estimates were Rs.5605.14 crores and actual release offunds for the various programmes amounted to Rs.5304.61 crores. The unutilised amount was, therefore, only about Rs.300.53 crores during the aforesaid period of three years. The major reason of savings is less expenditure than anticipated under some of the programmes. The position is reviewed from time to time and wherever necessary, matter is also taken up with the concerned States/Project Implementation Agencies to improve the programnme implementation and pace of expenditure.